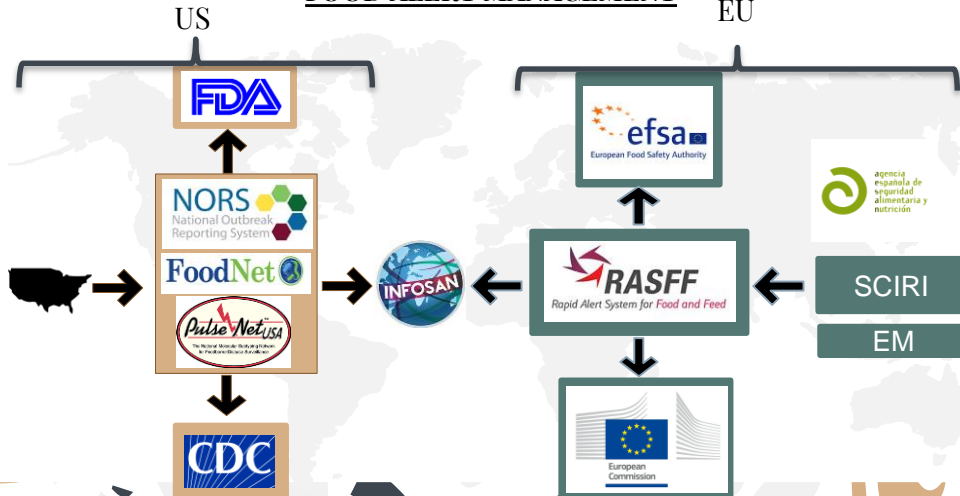


COMPARISON OF US-EU FOOD ALERT MANAGEMENT: ANALYSIS OF TWO ALERTS

OBJECTIVES

- Know the operation and management system of EU and US in food alerts
- Study a food alert in the two blocks, know the management and actions that have been taken by each administration.
- Compare the food alert management system of both based on the alert management that has been analyzed
- Define advantages and disadvantages of the two alert systems

FOOD ALERT MANAGEMENT



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STUDY OF TWO ALERTS



EU: Histamine intoxication in some EU countries



US: Multi-state outbreak of *E. coli* infections related to Roman lettuce consumption

CONCLUSIONS

- Food alert systems and food alert networks are essential to ensure public health
- EU took part quicker in the initial phase of the alert
- U.S. case was possibly a more costly alert to identify the source and cause of the outbreak
- The study of two alerts does not justify the comparison of the system but there are some differences:
 1. Organisms involved
 2. Source of notification
 3. Alert management time
 4. Management was accurate in both cases
 5. In both cases there were alerts that caused consequences